

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
WASHINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA
JOINT TOWN/COUNTY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012 – 6:30 P.M.
VIRGINIA HIGHLANDS SMALL BUSINESS INCUBATOR**

A Joint Town/County Meeting of the Abingdon Town Council and Washington County Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator

1a. ROLL CALL – TOWN OF ABINGDON

Members of Council Present:

Edward B. Morgan, Mayor
Cathy C. Lowe, Vice Mayor
Jason N. Berry
Richard E. Humphreys
Robert M. Howard

Administrative Staff:

Gregory W. Kelly, Town Manager
Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager
Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk
Deborah C. Icenhour, Town Attorney
Jim Smith, Town Engineer

1b. ROLL CALL – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Members of Board Present:

Joe Straten, Chair
Odell Owens, Vice-Chair
Phillip B. McCall
Dulcie Mumpower
Randy Pennington
Wayne Stevens
Bill Gibson

Administrative Staff:

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
Lucy Phillips, County Attorney

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Town Council member Bob Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**3a. Approval of the Meeting Agenda – Abingdon Town Council**

**On motion of Mrs. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Council members approved the Agenda as presented.**

**The roll call vote was as follows:**

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| <b>Mr. Howard</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Humphreys</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Berry</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Lowe</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mayor Morgan</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |

**3b. Approval of the Meeting Agenda – Board of Supervisors**

**On motion of Mrs. Mumpower, seconded by Mr. Owens, the Board of Supervisors approved the agenda as presented.**

**The vote on this motion was as follows: (7-0)**

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| <b>Mr. McCall</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Owens</b>      | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Mumpower</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Gibson</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Stevens</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Pennington</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Straten</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |

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At this time, Mayor Morgan announced that the Town had been informed today of an Hazard Mitigation Grant totaling \$243,257 from Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) project regarding stormwater management in Country Club Estates. Mr. Morgan thanked the town staff members and Council members for their efforts regarding this project and noted that the citizens of that neighborhood will benefit greatly from the stormwater management project.

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#### **4. Closed Session**

**On motion of Mr. Humphreys, seconded by Mr. Howard, the Council convened in closed session pursuant to §15.2-2907(D) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for the purpose of discussion and negotiations of possible boundary adjustment.**

**The roll call vote was as follows:**

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| <b>Mr. Howard</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
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| <b>Mr. Humphreys</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Berry</b>     | <b>Nay</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Lowe</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mayor Morgan</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |

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On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Owens, the Board convened in closed session pursuant to §15.2-2907(D) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for the purpose of discussion and negotiations of possible boundary adjustment.

The vote on this motion was as follows: (4-3)

Mr. McCall	Aye
Mr. Owens	Aye
Mrs. Mumpower	Aye
Mr. Gibson	Nay
Mr. Stevens	Nay
Mr. Pennington	Nay
Mr. Straten	Aye

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**On motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Council reconvened in regular session.**

**The roll call vote was as follows:**

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| <b>Mr. Howard</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Humphreys</b> | <b>Aye</b> |

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| Mr. Berry  | Aye |
| Mrs. Lowe  | Aye |
| Mr. Morgan | Aye |

**The motion carried.**

**The Town Clerk, Cecile Rosenbaum, read the following certification to be adopted by the Council members:**

***WHEREAS**, the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia has convened in a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and*

***WHEREAS**, Sec. 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, requires a certification by the Town Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law; and*

***NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Council of the Town of Abingdon, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from an open meeting requirement by Virginia law were discussed in closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Town Council.*

**The certification was as follows:**

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| Mr. Howard    | I so certify |
| Mr. Humphreys | I so certify |
| Mr. Berry     | I so certify |
| Mrs. Lowe     | I so certify |
| Mayor Morgan  | I so certify |

**On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mrs. Mumpower, the Board of Supervisors affirmed that only matters discussed in closed meeting were matters of public business both lawfully exempted from open meeting discussion requirements and identified in the motion to enter closed meeting. Further any member of the Board of who believes that there was non-exempted discussion in closed meeting is asked to make a statement of such opinion prior to the taking of the motion to certify and to describe the substance of the inappropriate discussion.**

**Hearing no comments on this motion, the vote was as follows: (7-0)**

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| <b>Mr. McCall</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Owens</b>      | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Mumpower</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Gibson</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Stevens</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Pennington</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Straten</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |

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On motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, the Council adjourned.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Howard	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Berry	Aye
Mrs. Lowe	Aye
Mayor Morgan	Aye

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**On motion of Mrs. Mumpower, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the Board of Supervisors adjourned until their next regularly scheduled meeting.**

**The vote on this motion was as follows: (7-0)**

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| <b>Mr. McCall</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Owens</b>      | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mrs. Mumpower</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Gibson</b>     | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Stevens</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Pennington</b> | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Mr. Straten</b>    | <b>Aye</b> |

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Edward B. Morgan, Mayor

Joe Straten, Chair

Cecile M. Rosenbaum, Town Clerk